

CUBA TIES U.S. TO SABOTEUR

Reports Capture Of 'Chief' Of 'CIA' Trainees

Havana, Nov. 13 (AP)—Security officials said today they captured the leader of heavily armed, United States-trained saboteurs who landed in Cuba the weekend before President Kennedy ordered the arms embargo of the island.

An attempt to sabotage the big copper mines of Matahambre was smashed, the official report said, even though the invaders succeeded in planting demolition charges. These were reportedly discovered before they went off.

Miguel Angel Orozco Crespo, who reportedly once served as an army lieutenant under Fulgencio Batista, the former dictator, was identified as the leader of the band. He was described as "principal chief of the [United States] Central Intelligence Agency."

Key Charges Reported

Orozco Crespo and a companion named Pedro Vera Ortiz were seized at a farm in a hilly region near Vinales November 2—just thirteen days after they landed, the report said.

The Cuban account said Orozco Crespo led a "special mission" ashore in two squads—each made up of six men—near Matahambre, on Cuba's western tip.

They landed October 19 and 20, using a rubber raft equipped with a muffled motor, carrying a half ton of weapons, explosives, radio transmitters and food for two weeks, the report said.

Sabotage Uncertain

It said the plan was for the men to be picked up by a United States Navy vessel after completion of the mission. What the group may have achieved between the time of landing and the date of the arrests was not specified.

The government report said Orozco Crespo, shown in newspaper pictures as a small man with mustache, had carried out "some 25 missions to our territory, some of them successful."

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Capture Reported

Havana newspapers said Orozco Crespo gave investigators the names of 40 members of his organization, and made these declarations:

1. The CIA is readying a force of Cuban exiles for a false invasion of Nicaragua in connivance with President Luis Somoza to provide an excuse for foreign invasion of Cuba by accusing the Castro regime of aggression.

2. Twenty "operators" are collecting military data for the United States inside Cuba with the aid of "small information nets."

3. An unnamed embassy in Havana is leading its diplomatic pouch to the United States intelligence agency for transporting communications equipment to be used by agents in Cuba.

4. His organization has headquarters "in state of Miami" with equipment ranging from "75 millimeter cannon to pistols." The headquarters is a "green house" south of Miami on U.S. 1 near "monkey jungle." He said a man named Bob Wall was coordinating the Miami actions.

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